

# GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION



**WHEREAS**, Earth sciences such as geology, geography, meteorology and oceanography focus on the structure and composition of the Earth; and

**WHEREAS**, Earth sciences contribute to the understanding and management of conventional and unconventional energy resources; and

**WHEREAS**, Earth sciences provide the basis to mitigate natural hazards such as earthquakes, floods and landslides; and

**WHEREAS**, Earth sciences are crucial to understanding environmental and ecological issues ranging from water and air quality to waste disposal; and

**WHEREAS**, Earth sciences play an important role in the development and conservation of Wyoming's mineral, energy and water resources; and

**WHEREAS**, Earth sciences enrich the appreciation and understanding of Wyoming's fossil resources and natural features including Yellowstone National Park, Fossil Butte National Monument and Vedauwoo Recreation Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the sponsors of Earth Science Week in Wyoming – the Wyoming State Geological Survey, Wyoming Geological Association, Casper College Earth Science Department, Tate Museum at Casper College, Department of Geology and Geophysics at the University of Wyoming, and the University of Wyoming Geological Museum – represent the ongoing research and education efforts to learn more about Wyoming's geologic, fossil, mineral and energy resources.


**NOW THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW H. MEAD**, Governor of the State of Wyoming, do hereby proclaim October 14 – 20, 2012 as

## **EARTH SCIENCE WEEK**

in Wyoming.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Executive Seal of the Governor of Wyoming to be affixed this 16 day of October, 2012.



  
Matthew H. Mead  
Governor